MADISON COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS
REGULAR SESSION
Board of Elections Conference Room
Wednesday, October 9, 2013
4:30 P.M.

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Andy Gibson called the meeting of the Madison County Board of Elections to order at 4:31 P.M. at the Board of Elections Office Conference Room. Board and staff members in attendance were Andy Gibson, Chairman; Dyatt Smathers, Secretary; Jerry Wallin, Member; Shirley Ponder, Deputy Director; and Kathy Ray, Director.

AGENDA

The Director requested to add to New Business the resignation of South Marshall Republican Judge Denise Rogers and the resignation of Town of Marshall Poll Worker Democratic Assistant Norris Gentry.

Moved, Seconded (JW, DS) and Carried (3,0) to set the agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved, Seconded (DS, JW) and Carried (3,0) to approve the meeting minutes from the September 11, 2013 regular meeting.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

No Report

MEMBERS' REPORT

Secretary Smathers indicated he enjoyed participation in the Logic & Accuracy testing of the voting equipment and that all equipment totals reconciled with test script results.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The September Budget Revenue and Expenditure Reports were presented.

The December SBOE Conference dates are December 16th and 17th, 2013.

The High School Voter Registration Drive partnered the Board of Elections with the High School Civics Departments. Students were presented the opportunity to register to vote or update registration information within the classes or at the main office of the school throughout the school year. We had only one registration from this year's drive. The drive's registration rate was affected by the September 1, 2013 repeal of voter pre-registrations and the success in registering students in past years pre-registration drives.

South Marshall Precinct Republican Judge Denise Rogers and Walnut Precinct Republican Judge Rex Freeman have resigned as precinct officials. The BOE will need to replace Republican Judge Denise Rogers for the upcoming Town of Marshall Municipal Election.

NEW BUSINESS

Board members are requested to be present at the Board of Elections at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, November 5th (Municipal Election Day) for the reporting of election results.

The county manager has proposed moving the voting equipment from Room 22 to a storage room that is currently under construction in the bay area of the administrative building.

Moved, Seconded (DS, JW) and Carried (3,0) to invite the county manager to the November 12, 2013 Board of Elections meeting to discuss the proposed move of the voting equipment.

The South Marshall Precinct will use the Marshall Community Center – Room A during all future elections pending the approval of the State Board of Elections. The Director will contact the State Board of Elections regarding the request of South Marshall precinct officials to move the polling place from Room B to the adjacent Room A within the same building of the Marshall Community Center.

Moved, Seconded (JW, DS) and Carried (3,0) to employ Jacob Ray as an election rover on Tuesday, November 5, 2013 Municipal General Election Day.

Moved, Seconded (DS, JW) and Carried (3,0) to move North Marshall Precinct Chief Judge Charles Gardner to the South Marshall Precinct to serve as Republican Judge during the 2013 Town of Marshall Municipal Election.

The Director will contact Democratic Party Chairman David Wyatt regarding the need for a Town of Marshall Municipal Election Democratic Poll Worker Assistant and a Town of Hot Springs Democratic Judge to replace Democratic Judge Sherri Ricker. Sherri Ricker is ineligible to serve as the Democratic Judge in the 2013 town election because her brother, Brian Reese, is a candidate for Hot Springs Mayor. The Democratic Judge replacement will be for the 2013 Town of Hot Springs Municipal Election only. The Director will poll the Board of Elections upon receiving the replacement recommendations from Mr. Wyatt.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tuesday, October 28, 2013:	Training for Towns of Hot Springs and Mars Hill Election Officials
Tuesday, October 29, 2013:	Training for Town of Marshall Election Officials
Tuesday, November 5, 2013:	Municipal Election Day
Tuesday, November 12, 2013:	CANVASS Meeting at 11:00 a.m.
Tuesday, November 12, 2013:	Regularly Scheduled November meeting immediately following the CANVASS meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No Comments

ADJOURNMENT

Moved, Seconded (DS, JW) and Carried (3,0) to adjourn at 5:30 P.M.

Kathy Ray, Director

Andy Gibson, Chairman

Dyatt Smathers, Secretary